

# THE RILEY BUGLE CALL

# Community Action Council December 3, 2003 at 9:30am Soldier & Family Support Center

<u>Welcome - Introductory Remarks</u> Garrison Commander, Fort Riley, Kansas

# **Presentation**

Fort Riley Middle School Essay Winner
Award Presentation – 1/34 AR to Commissary
Award Presentations – Military Family Appreciation Week
Soldier & Family Support Center – Family Advocacy

#### **Announcements**

# **Irwin Army Community Hospital (IACH)**

- Flu shots will be given to Fort Riley families and eligible military retirees at Irwin Army Community Hospital starting Monday 17 November through Friday 21 November from 8:00 to 11:00am and 1:00 to 3:00pm. Beneficiaries must bring their medical records with them and sign in at the Emergency Room reception desk. On Monday 24 November and into the future, the flu shot will be administered Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:00 to 9:00am in the Immunization Clinic. Patients are reminded to bring their medical records with them when attempting to obtain this immunization. For more information call the MEDDAC Public Affairs Officer at 239-7250.
- A new feature associated with the MEDDAC and with the TRICARE health plan is the advent of TRICARE On Line or TOL. TOL allows patients the opportunity to book certain types of appointments through the Internet. In order to utilize this feature of TRICARE you must first register in the online system. You must go to the TOL website at WWW.TRICAREONLINE.COM and select the register tab on the left of the screen. You will choose the register as a beneficiary option and answer the questions posed. Once registered, you will be able to view and book those appointments coded by IACH as available for online booking.
- As soldiers are reconstituted or demobilized upon return from overseas deployments, IACH is heavily engaged in ensuring each service member is mentally prepared to deal with their experiences overseas and capable of adjusting to life back at home station. IACH healthcare providers review with each soldier during the demobilization / reconstitution any issues or concerns they may have or any changes which may have occurred in their personal life which may affect their quality of life or ability to adjust to life post deployment. For those soldiers with issues that affect their outlook or ability to adapt to post deployment IACH offers the services of Psychiatry, Psychology, and Social Work. Soldiers or family members who note changes or need assistance resolving issues associated with recent deployments and reunions are encouraged to call 239-7208.

• Patients who are unsure if their condition requires an appointment or who would rather attempt home or self care should call the TRICARE Nurse Advice Line at 1-888-887-4111. This service is offered free of charge to all TRICARE beneficiaries who need advice on their medical condition. This service may be an invaluable tool for determining if your specific set of symptoms require an appointment with a healthcare professional and may help you to avoid waiting in the Emergency Room only to discover you or your family member has a condition which may be managed effectively at home using over the counter remedies.

# **Directorate of Community Activities**

#### **Business Operations**

- Custer Hill Golf Course Bldg. 5202 Normandy (785) 784-6000
  - Membership Savings for Golf: The golf course is in excellent condition, the only problem is the weather is now cold and fewer golfers are enjoying use of the facility. The hours of operation will be changing to meet the needs of the facilities and to keep our costs low. You can help us by becoming a member during this time of year. The golf course will be keeping memberships intact for the coming year. An annual membership is very reasonable and allows one to play golf at any time only by registering when coming out to play. It would take about 40 rounds of golf to equal a membership, so the sooner you join, the sooner you can enjoy your golf.
  - Although memberships remain the same price for the coming year, the cost of our 10 Play Cards will be rising to \$10, and E1-E4 prices will be \$7 for weekday play and \$10 for weekend play. All other weekday and weekend prices will remain the same at \$13 and \$15. You can save by becoming either a member of the golf course or a 10-Play member—your choice. The savings will only come with your continued use and play on our course.
  - Of Golf Instructor Contracted: We have contracted a PGA golf professional and former manager in Baumholder, Germany. He will be available to provide you with clinics, lessons and group events through the winter and during the next year. If you want to arrange a lesson, improve your golf game or get someone involved with this outstanding "game of a lifetime," let us know. You may call the golf course at 239-2544 to arrange an appointment.
  - Coming Events: The hours of operation for the golf course will be changing effective December 1 to allow for frost on the golf course. The hours will be formally published in the MWR Winter Guide.
  - o At this writing the hours will be:

Tuesday – Sunday – 10:00am-5:30pm Monday – Closed

- The golf course is weather dependent. We will not be open in the case of inclement weather. We are trying to keep our costs down to allow us to better serve you during the season.
- Rally Point 2600 Trooper Drive (785) 784-5434
  - o Regular events planned are the following:
    - Krazy Karaoke every Wednesday and 10 cent wings
    - Request Night every Thursday
    - Family Night every Friday 5:00-8:00pm
    - Mixed Dance Night Fridays 8:00pm ++
    - Late Nite Program Every Friday & Saturday (11:00pm)

- Variety Dance Night Saturday 8:00-11:00pm
- Late Nite with Monroe 11:00pm-4:00am
- NFL Football Games and Primo's Ala Carte Service on Sunday
- o **Coming Events: NFL Football** games are shown at Rally Point every Sunday beginning at 11:00am. Come out and enjoy your favorite game on the Big Screen.
- o **Plan for your New Year's Eve!** Table reservations are being taken at Rally Point. Call the office at 784-5434 for additional information.
- Custer Hill Lanes Bldg. 7485 Normandy (785) 239-4366
  - Come experience the difference for your "First Choice" as an entertainment place to go after work and every evening.
  - The Strike Zone Snack Bar: Open daily at 5:00pm. We offer pizza by the slice or by the pie. Call 239-1710. The snack bar also offers regular, fried entrees, hamburgers and salad specials.
  - Leagues Sign up Now. The Bowling Center offers a regular program of bowling from Leagues, Open Bowling, Youth Bowling and Extreme Bowling.
  - Plus a New Program from 5:00-7:00pm. Pick your price, where you bowl and draw a price from the bowl. This is featured everyday.
  - Hours of operation:

Tuesday 5:00-11:00pm
 Wednesday 5:00-11:00pm
 Thursday 5:00-11:00pm
 Friday 5:00pm-1:00am
 Extreme Bowling)
 Open Bowling
 Open Bowling until 10:00pm then

Saturday 3:00pm-1:00am
 Open Bowling

Saturday 4:00-6:00pm
 Family Extreme Bowling
 Saturday 9:00pm-1:00am
 Extreme Bowling \$10/person

Sunday 4:00-10:00pm Family Bowling

Sorry Closed on Mondays

# ITR (Information, Ticketing & Registration) Bldg. 6918 (785) 239-5614

- ITR offers the following services: Hotel Reservations, Fax Services, Discount Movie Tickets, Vacation Planning, Military Exchange Prepaid Calling Card and Leisure or Commercial Travel such as Airline Tickets and Cruises.
- o For more information contact the ITR Office at 239-5614.
- Enjoy your favorite <u>Chiefs</u> game, call for ticket availability.

#### **Community Recreation**

- Arts & Crafts Center Bldg. 6918 (785) 239-9205
  - The Fort Riley Arts & Crafts Center offers a number of open shop usage areas for patrons.
  - Usage areas include woodshop, ceramics studios, matting and framing studio, computer lab, photography, stained glass, sewing, quilting, basket weaving and leather.
  - Classes are offered in the evenings and on weekends in all program areas. A schedule of upcoming classes is available.
  - Open shop activities hours of operation:
    - Monday and Tuesday 1:00-8:30pm
    - Wednesday 9:00am-4:30pm
    - Saturday and Sunday 9:00am-4:30pm

- Closed most holidays.
- Please note that the Sales Store hours have been reduced during the deployments. The sales store is now open during the regular open shop hours listed above.
- o The Arts & Crafts Center is co-located with ITR in Bldg. 6918 across from the Post Exchange. Call 239-9205 for more information.
- Arts & Crafts offers tours and classes for groups such as coffee groups, FRGs and scouts.
- o **The woodshop** has 4,000 square feet of floor space and all the specialized equipment to complete any project. A large selection of hardwoods, plywood and processed materials are available for purchase.
- o **The ceramic studio** has over 2,000 molds available as well as four potters wheels and five ceramic kilns, making it possible to create finished ceramic ware from scratch.
- The matting and framing studio has a huge selection of mats and frame stock available as well as state of the art equipment. Conservation and preservation mats are available for fine art work pieces. Finish a project in one day with the help of our friendly staff.
- o **The black and white photography lab** offers five enlargers, large sink areas and film and print dryers. Photo supplies are available for purchase.
- o **The computer lab** has two desktop computers with a wide range of graphics and business software. A flatbed color scanner and color laser printer are ready for walk-in use. For a nominal fee, staff will show what programs are available and then you can get to work. You must have previous computer knowledge. Internet access is available for purchase.
- o Other studio areas include stained glass, sewing, quilting, basket weaving and leather. Specialized equipment such as sewing machines, zyron and Accu Cut for scrap booking, glass saw and grinders, and engraving equipment are available for walk-in use.
- Services Available includes professional matting and framing, plaques and awards and computer engraving. The center boasts a new laser engraver that rivals any engraving service in the area. Stop by for a free estimate on matting and framing services for your artwork, prints or certificates.
- o Stop by for a class schedule.

#### Automotive Skills Center Bldg. 7753 Apennines (785) 239-9764

- The Fort Riley Automotive Skills Center is located in Bldg 7753, Apennines Dr, next to the 24-hour car wash.
- The automotive skills center provides state of the art tools and equipment for patrons utilizing the facility.
- Basic and advance automotive repairs for active duty personnel, dependants, retiree, reservists, youth and scouts
- Basic automotive repair class first and third Thursday of each month 6:00-7:30pm
- Advance automotive repair class second and fourth Thursday of each month 6:00-7:30pm
- Services include four-wheel drive front and rear wheel alignment, air conditioning testing and service, 25-point vehicle safety inspection (\$10 by appointment), and much more.
- Professional staff of trained mechanics to instruct and assist in self repair projects
- 15 Vehicle Lift Bays

- Open bays and lift bays with complete set of tools and roll-around benches for customer use.
- Complete tool room with specialized tools and limited parts store.
- 8 Bay Car Wash with power washers and vacuum cleaners.
- State-of-the-art Paint Booth and Body Shop person for expert advice and instruction.
- Mitchell on-demand technical library available on DVD.
- Check us out so we can check your automotive needs before you pay expensive repair bills.
- We have the latest equipment to perform tests on alternators, batteries, airconditioning, on-board computers, anti-lock brakes and much more.
- On site parts sales store

# Outdoor Recreation Center Bldg. 9011 (785) 239-2363

#### Hours of Operation:

Tuesday – Friday— 9:00am – 5:00pm Saturday – 8:00am-4:00pm Closed Sunday, Monday, and Holidays

- Large selection of camping, canoeing, boating and outdoor recreation items for rent
- Clay Target Shotgun Range Adult & youth 12 or 20 gauge shotguns available for rent for \$5. Targets are \$5 for a round of 25 or shoot 3 rounds for \$10.
- Variety of targets available at the Archery Range. 3-D target (small) \$4/day, 3-D target (large) \$6/day. Try the range from the view of our new tree stand.
- Have fun honing your hunting skills with the Laser Shot Shooting Simulation System. Pricing for group or individual rates. Call 239-2363 for details.
- Earn money for your unit or organization by renting our new movie theater style popcorn machine and selling popcorn. \$8/day
- Fishing Contest August 1 December 31, 2003
- Biggest Buck / Largest Doe Contest October 1, 2003 December 31, 2003

# **Sports (785) 239-3868**

#### Riley Wheels Skating Rink

- o Friday 8:00 to 10:00pm
- Saturday 6:00 to 8:00pm first session and 8:00 to 10:00pm for the second session.
   (\$1.25 stay over fee for second session)
- Sunday 2:00 to 4:00pm Family Skate, \$6 per family for the first six family members and \$1 per each additional member. Authorized ID Card holders only!!!
- Riley Wheels is available for rent for private functions such as birthdays, unit parties, support groups, youth and school groups, scouts, etc. For more information call 239-3764.

# Eyster Pool

- January 5, 2004 Sign up for swim lessons at Eyster Pool
- o Jan 20-29 Swimming Lessons

Guppy	Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	5:00-5:30pm	\$15
Level I	Tuesday – Friday	5:30-6:00pm	\$20
Level II	Tuesday – Friday	6:15-6:45pm	\$20
Level III	Tuesday – Friday	6:45-7:15pm	\$20

## Lifeguard Training

January 30 – Summer Hire Lifeguard Training Pre-Test – 3:00-6:00pm

January 31 – Summer Hire Lifeguard Training – 8:00am-5:00pm

February 1 – Summer Hire Lifeguard Training (cont) - 1:00-8:00pm

February 2 – Summer Hire Lifeguard Training (cont./test) – 8:00am-5:00pm

- o This class if free to students 15 yrs of age and older, military or civilian and also spouses of military personnel. Any questions or comments please call 239-9441.
- o For more information call 239-9441.

#### **Adult Intramural Sports Programs**

0	Battalion Level Power lifting Meet December 5	King Field House
0	Regular Season Basketball December 2 - February 29	King Field House
0	Holiday Basketball Tournament December 20-23	King Field House
0	Holiday Racquetball Tournament December 20 - 23	Post Fitness Centers
0	Holiday one-on-one Basketball Tournament December 29	King Field House
0	Holiday free throw and 3 point contests December 29	King Field House
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For more information call 239-3945.

# Fitness Programs

- o Aerobic Classes— Monday & Thursday 5:30-6:30pm Cost is \$2 per class or as listed if paid for in advance.
- December \$9.00/reg for month
- No class December 22, 25 and 29 and January 1 due to holidays.
- There must be at least 6 registered members for the month; otherwise class will be cancelled.
- Personal training sessions are available and limited. The Fort Riley Fitness Departments personal trainer is able to provide body fat analysis and assist you with your fitness goals. Call and schedule your appointments as soon as possible. Please call the Sports Dept. 239-2813 for additional information.

#### **Childcare at King Field House**

- Childcare services are now available at King Filed House Fitness Center Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:45-10:45am. Slots are limited and must be reserved and paid in advance. Register at the Sports Dept. between 8:00am-12:00pm and 1:00-4:00pm Monday – Friday. Parents must remain on site while using childcare.
- "Get **On Track** and stay **On Track**" with the weekly support and guidance session. Fort Riley Fitness "On Track" available beginning Jan 6, 2004. Check out the line-up to see which sessions would interest you and call 239-2813 to register!
- All sessions will begin at 9:00am at the King Field House Fitness Center (excluding swimming –TBA – call for info) Cetting started and setting goals

January 6	Getting started and setting goals
January 13	Aerobic Training
January 20	Weight Training
January 27	Weight Training
February 3	Diet and Nutrition Tips and Ideas
February 10	Abs and Back Focus
February 17	Guidance to Lap Swimming
February 24	Guidance to Lap Swimming

 FRGs, coffee groups, support groups and individuals can call the Fitness Dept. for all of your fitness needs. We're here to help you obtain your goals!

# Soldier and Family Support Center (785) 239-9435

Community Life Activities

Mayors Training – 15 December – 6:00pm Soldier & Family Support Center

o IVAC – 8 January – 1:00pm Soldier & Family Support Center

Relocation/Family Readiness

o Newcomers' Orientation: 8:30am-2:30pm 12 December

4 January

o PCS Briefings: 1:30-3:00pm Korea – 3 December

Germany – 10 December Stateside – 17 December

- Weekly Activity Day for Spouses of Deployed Soldiers -Held every Monday at the Soldier and Family Support Center, Bldg. 7264 12:00-3:00pm. A different activity is planned each week. Activities range from arts & crafts, guest speakers, games, open discussions to cooking classes. We are also looking for volunteers who would like to share their talents to teach a class. Free Childcare/6 weeks to 5yrs. (please bring shot records/ snack is provided) Parent must stay in the center. For additional information contact Family Readiness Center Coordinator at 239-9435.
- 21 January 2004 / Family Readiness Group Leader Basic Class. This class is for newly appointed FRG Leaders. The class will include training and information on:
  - Roles and responsibilities of an effective FRG Leader
  - Knowing your support network
  - Regulations, policies and missions of the FRG
  - Leadership, teamwork and support to family members, the FRG Advisor the Commander
  - Money Matters fund raising and appropriate uses of the FRG funds
  - Self Care taking care of yourself to avoid burnout

#### FRG reminders

- FRG's are command sponsored volunteer organizations. FRG leaders are appointed by the commander and must have an official letter of appointment on file.
- Army Community Service and the Soldier & Family Support Center offer ongoing support, services, training, and programs to assist commanders and Family Readiness Groups.
- Please contact the ACS Director or Family Readiness Center Coordinator for information or assistance regarding FRG matters.

# Army Family Action Plan (AFAP)

- The Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) 2003 conference issues will be presented to the Garrison Commander's Steering Committee this month. There were some very interesting issues that will be addressed by the committee. The status of all issues from 2002 and 2003 should be available by January 2004. If you are interested in the status of any issue feel free to contact the Program Manager at 239-9435, Soldier & Family Support Center Bldg. 7264.
- I want to personally thank all of you that participated in this year's conference. I also want to thank the Ft. Riley Commissary and Post Exchange, the Battle Simulation Center staff for hosting the event, DCA Marketing, Rally Point, Public Affair Office, 1<sup>st</sup> Command and all of the Subject Matter Experts. All of you truly made this a success.

# Army Family Team Building (AFTB)

- o If you are new to the Fort Riley area and are interested in learning about resources that are available to you or find that everyone is speaking another language that sounds more like the alphabet than words, then you could benefit from the Army Family Team Building (AFTB) Level One classes. We will resume classes the second week of January 2004 following the holiday season.
- Level One and Level Two classes are offered at the Armed Services YMCA in Junction City on designated Fridays 11:00am-2:00pm with free childcare on site. You <u>must</u> contact the AFTB Program Manager to enroll your children prior to attending any classes. For more information or to speak to the Program Manager please call 239-9435.
- Level Two and Three evening classes are given at the Soldier and Family Support Center and are open to everyone. There is no childcare provided for the evening classes.
- o If you, your unit/battalion, Family Readiness Group or other group would like to schedule separate Level I, II or III classes, please contact the Program Manager. These classes can be held at your location or at the Soldier and Family Support Center. There is a minimum of five people required to hold a class and two weeks notice is needed for planning.
- Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)
  - EFMP Holiday Celebration 9 December 2003 6:00 to 8:30pm.
  - o Ogden Community Center, 220 Willow Street
  - R.S.V.P. to EFMP office by 2 December at 239-9435.
- Family Advocacy Program
  - Love and Logic Classes: For educators and parents. Easy to learn and can be put to use right away! This is the commonsense approach to cultivate confidence and good decision-making in children. Sponsored by Family Advocacy Program 239-9435
- Financial Management
  - How to make the most of your deployment dollars and/or Financial Planning for Deployment- walk-in appointment every Friday (except declared holidays) 1:00-3:00pm at Building 7264. POC at 239-5032.

# Child and Youth Services (CYS) (785) 239-9173

- CYS programs will be closed on the following Federal Holidays:
  - o 25, 26 December Christmas
  - o 1,2 January New Years
  - 19 January Martin Luther King Day
- Instructional Classes Registration for all classes is from 9:00am-1:00pm Monday-Thursday at Child and Youth Services, Bldg. 6620 at the Central Enrollment Registry (CER). Enrollments will be taken when there are openings. A waiting list will be established for classes when there are no current openings. We offer Dance, Gymnastics, Martial Arts, Piano, and Cheerleading classes. An annual sport physical is required for all instructional classes (except piano). A health assessment may be used if it is marked "cleared for all sports".
  - Gymnastics: Cost: \$25 per month and \$35 per month for Exhibition Team.
     Classes meet at Fort Riley Teen Center.

Tuesday 5:00-6:00pm 5-7 yrs 6:00-7:00pm 7-9 yrs

	7:00-8:00pm	10-15 yrs
Wednesday	5:00-6:00pm	4-6 yrs
•	6:00-7:00pm	4-6 yrs
	7:00-8:00pm	6-8 yrs
Thursday	5:00-6:00pm	3-5 yrs
·	6:00-7:30pm	Exhibition Class

 Martial Arts: Cost: \$25 per month. Classes are held on Saturday at the Teen Center gymnasium, Bldg. 5800, Fort Riley.

Pre-School Entry 3-5 yrs (not in Kindergarten) 10:00-11:00am
Beginner Level Kindergarten-18 yrs 11:30am-1:00pm
Advanced Level Kindergarten-18 yrs 2:00-4:00pm

- Piano: Instructor has a BS in Music Education and has taught classroom and individual lessons for 8 years. Cost: \$45 per month for weekly 30 min. lessons, which will be held in the music room at the Fort Riley Teen Center, Bldg. 5800.
- Cheerleading: Classes are held on Thursday at the Fort Riley Teen Center dance studio, Bldg. 5800. Students will cheer at the Fort Riley Youth Sports basketball games held on post. Boys and girls ages 6-14 are eligible to enroll. Cost: \$25 per month.

Thursday: 5:00-5:50pm 5-8 years 6:00-6:50pm 9-14 years 7:00-7:50pm 9-14 years

Dance: Ballet, Tap, Jazz, and Lyrical classes will be held at the Fort Riley Teen Center dance studio on Wednesday after school and evening. Cost: \$25 per month for 50-minute lesson once per week. Recitals are held at Christmas and in the spring, and public performances are held throughout the year. Boys and girls 3-18 years are eligible to enroll. Classes are held at the Teen Center, Bldg. 5800

> 5:00-5:50pm 6-8years Ballet and Tap 6:00-6:50pm 3-4years Ballet and Tap 7:00-7:50pm 5-6years Ballet and Tap

- Red Cross Babysitting Course
  - Upcoming classes: December 6, January 10, and February 7 at Bldg. 5800.
  - Cost is \$10. Call CER for more information at 239-4847
  - Youth must be 11 years and older
  - All youth (12 years and older) who successfully complete the course are eligible to be included on the Fort Riley Teen Babysitter Referral List, with parental permission.
- Central Enrollment Registry (CER) Bldg. 6620 on Normandy Avenue
  - Must be registered in CYS to participate in CYS programs
  - o Hours of Operation: Monday-Thursday 8:30am-5:30pm and Friday 1:00-5:30pm
  - o Annual registration fee is \$15 per child, or \$35 per family
  - CYS registration may be transferred to a new duty station upon PCS
  - Contact CER at 239-4847, for information, or make an appointment to enroll in CYS
- Child Development Center (CDC) is accredited by the National Association for the Education for Young Children (NAEYC).
  - Hours of Operations are from 6:00am to 6:00pm
  - Serve children ages 6 weeks to Kindergarten
  - o Full-day, part-day preschool and hourly care is available

- Free hourly care is available for families of deployed soldiers on 6 and 20 December. Children between 6 weeks of age and Kindergarten will receive free care at the CDC from 10:00am to 1:00pm. Lunch will be served to the children at 11:30am. Children must be registered with CYS to participate in this program, and must make a reservation by noon on the Thursday prior to the Saturday opening.
- Family Child Care consists of care offered in on-post quarters by a military family member who meets FCC certification requirements. Homes are inspected and monitored regularly. Adult family members must pass background checks.
  - Hours of Operation are from 6:00am to 6:00pm, with the ability to offer extended and overnight care in the evenings and on weekends for duty related needs. FCC providers offer flexible hours that may better meet the needs of those requiring child care for extended periods, and for shift workers.
  - Serve children 4 weeks to 12 years of age
  - Full-day, part-day, and hourly care available
  - Small group setting with home atmosphere
- Family Child Care Home Certification An FCC orientation is held on the first Thursday of each month for people interested in becoming an FCC provider. The orientation is from 2:30-4:00 pm in Bldg. 6620. For more information, call the FCC Director at 239-9892. Three Fort Riley FCC homes recently achieved Military Home Accreditation status.
- School Age Services is accredited by the National School Age Care Alliance (NSACA).
  - Hours of Operations are from 6:00am to 6:00pm
  - o Before and after school program for grades Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grade
  - Transportation provided to and from on-post schools
  - o Breakfast is served up to 8:00am

#### Open Recreation (hourly care)

- o Available for children in 1-5<sup>th</sup> grade
- Monday-Friday from 3:30-6:00pm on school days, 1:30-6:00pm on school earlyout days and 6:00am-6:00pm on no-school days
- o Parents must provide transportation and reservations are suggested
- Free hourly care is available for families of deployed soldiers on 6 and 20 December. Children who are in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade may receive free care at SAS from 10:00am to 1:00pm. Lunch will be served to the children at 11:30am. Children must be registered with CYS to participate in this program, and must make a reservation by noon on the Thursday prior to the Saturday opening.
- Children eligible for School Age Services, who are registered with CYS, are also eligible to receive 5 hours of free Open Recreation each month. Reservations are recommended. Call CYS at 239-9478 for more information.

#### Middle School and Teen Program

- Activities are held at the Fort Riley Teen Center, Bldg. 5800, corner of Thomas and Longstreet, 239-9222.
- Teen Center Activities Fitness room and Gymnasium open every day after school. 4H projects, Art projects, Photography offered weekly. Homework room/time available every day after school from 3:30-5:00pm

#### December Teen Center Activities:

•	6 December	Movie Night	8:00-10:30pm
•	12 December	Middle School Dance	8:00-10:30pm
•	13 December	High School Dance	8:00-10:30pm
•	19 December	Pool Party (Eyster Pool)	7:00-10:00pm
•	20 December	Family Potluck	6:00-10:00pm
•	27 December	High School Dance	9:00-11:30pm
•	31 December	New Years Eve Party	9:00pm-1:00am

# January Teen Center Activities

•	1 & 2 January	CLOSED	
•	3 January	Bowling Party	7:00-10:00pm
•	9 January	Middle School Dance	8:00-10:30pm
•	10 January	High School Dance	9:00-11:30pm
•	16 January	Pool Party (Eyster Pool)	7:00-10:00pm
•	17 January	Family Potluck	6:30pm
•	19 January	CLOSED	
•	23 January	Middle School Dance	8:00-10:30pm
•	24 January	High School Dance	9:00-11:30pm
•	31 January	Midnight Basketball	9:00pm-midnight

Youth Sports - Basketball season starts January 10, 2004. Enrollment for basketball is still open at Central Enrollment Registry in Bldg. 6620 from 1:00-5:00pm (walk-in). The Sports Director will make final decision on a case-by-case basis on all requests to register after 21 November. Basketball is open to boys and girls in 2<sup>nd</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Youth must register with CYS and have a sports physical dated after March 15 2003. Cost is \$30 per youth. If you are interested in coaching a team, please contact the Youth Sports Director at 239-9223.

#### School Liaison Officer - 239-1558

- o POC for school related information and services
- o Office hours are 8:00am-5:00pm, Monday-Friday in Bldg. 6620, Normandy Drive
- o Sign up for School Liaison Office In Touch for updates on school related topics.
- USD 475 (Geary County-Junction City, Fort Riley, Milford, and Grandview Plaza) website: <a href="http://www.usd475.org/">www.usd475.org http://www.usd475.org/</a>
- USD 383 (Manhattan-Ogden) website: <u>www.usd383.org</u>
   <a href="http://www.usd383.org/">http://www.usd383.org/</a>>.
- USD 475 School Calendar
  - USD 475 Junction City-Geary County Schools Winter Vacation: 22 December 2003-6 January 2004
  - USD 383-Manhattan-Ogden Schools Winter Vacation: 22 December 2003-2 January 2004

#### Fort Riley University 239-6481

- Education Division
  - o The next evening college term begins January 12, 2004. Enrollment begins December 1, 2003 and runs through the first week of class.
  - o Enrollment began November 17, 2003 for the Leadership Skills Enhancement Courses (LSEC). The LSEC classes start on January 5, 2004. Enroll early.
  - See an Army Education Counselor at Bldgs. 217, 7604, or 7656 to enroll.

- The combined graduation ceremony will be held at 1:00pm on December 4, 2003 in King Field House. The Fort Riley community is invited to attend.
- Army Career and Alumni Program
  - Did you know that Reserve Component (USAR and ARNG) soldiers on Active Duty for 180 or more days and their families are eligible to use services provided by the Army Career & Alumni Program (ACAP) Center?
  - For more information or answers to questions, please stop by the ACAP Center or give us a call at 785-239-2278/2248. Group demobilization briefings can be scheduled by calling 785-239-1868. To find other ACAP sites, go to www.acap.army.mil and log on as a Transitioner.

# **Installation Chapel Office**

- Sunday, 14 December
  - o 3:00pm Communal Penance Service, Morris Hill Chapel
  - o 11:00am "Happy Birthday Jesus" Christmas Program, Morris Hill Chapel
- Sunday, 21 December
  - o Protestant Worship Schedule
    - 9:30am Normandy Chapel (Evangelical)
    - 10:30am Main Post Chapel (Traditional) Christmas Cantata
    - 11:00am Morris Hill Chapel (Gospel)
    - 11:00am Kapaun Chapel (Contemporary)
  - o Catholic Masses
    - 9:00am Mass, Morris Hill Chapel
    - 11:00am Mass, St. Mary's Chapel
- Wednesday, 24 December, Christmas Eve
  - 5:00pm Christmas Eve Mass, Morris Hill Chapel
  - 7:00pm Christmas Eve Candle Light Service, Main Post Chapel
  - o 10:00pm Christmas Mass, St. Mary's Chapel
- Wednesday, 31 December, New Year's Eve
  - o 9:30pm Gospel Service, Morris Hill, "Watchnight Service"
- Thursday, 1 January, New Years' Day
  - 11:00am New Year's Day Mass, St. Mary's Chapel
- Club Beyond Youth Christmas Play will be performed on the following days:
  - o Sunday, 7 December, 11:00am, Morris Hill Chapel
  - o Sunday, 14 December, 9:00am, Normandy Chapel
  - Sunday, 14 December, 11:00am, Kapaun Chapel
  - o Wednesday, 24 December, 7:00pm, Main Post Chapel

#### **Staff Judge Advocate**

On January 26, 2004, the Fort Riley Tax Center will once again be offering free
preparation and electronic filing of Federal Tax returns for soldiers, retirees and their
families. By filing electronically you can have your refund deposited directly in your bank
account in approximately 9 days. A soldier filing a 1040EZ can usually save \$120 by
utilizing the free Tax Center services.

- The Tax Center will be in Bldg. 7034, which is behind 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade Headquarters on Custer Hill. The Tax Center will be open from January 26<sup>th</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup>. Office hours will be 9:00am to 5:00pm on Monday through Thursday; 9:00am to 6:00pm on Friday; and 10:00am to 2:00pm on Saturday.
- Start gathering your documents together now. You will need last year's tax return, this year's W-2's, 1099's and proof of any other income. The Unit Tax Advisors at each unit can assist soldiers in preparing their return and will be available to answer most questions. People with more complicated returns will be directed to call the Tax Center, 239-1040, to schedule an appointment. Ensuring that you have all your paperwork will help the Tax Center staff promptly and efficiently file your Federal and State taxes.
- The Tax Center is currently looking for people to fill 15 civilian tax preparation clerk positions. The IRS will provide full training during the week of January 5-9, 2004.
   Applications and job description can be found at the CPOL website www.cpol.army.mil.
   Also, volunteers are always welcome. Volunteers should contact this year's Tax
   Attorney, at 239-3117, for information on volunteer opportunities.

#### **G5/Strategic Planning Office**

- Use ICE to help us serve you better. ICE (Interactive Customer Evaluation) is a web based customer feedback system. You can provide an evaluation of more than 170 services on Fort Riley or communicate directly with the manager of a service via ICE.
- You can access ICE several ways. The quickest is to click on the ICE link on the sidebar of the Fort Riley home page (<a href="www.riley.army.mil">www.riley.army.mil</a>). You may also access our site via the ICE homepage (<a href="http://ice.disa.mil">http://ice.disa.mil</a>) and then drill down through the map to Fort Riley. In either case, you will reach a search page listing categories of service. The names of the organizations you can rate will appear when you click on the service category. The comment card will come up when you click on a service name. At the bottom of the comment card you will also find a dialogue box in which you can enter comments. Your comments are most valuable to our service providers. If you wish to see how others have rated a service in the past 90 days, click on the "Report" box. General information about the service can be obtained by clicking on the "Info" balloon.
- ICE is a worldwide customer feedback system supported by the DOD Office of Quality Management. You will find all branches of service and installations worldwide whose services you can rate or see how others have rated them. This may be important to you if you have been TDY and wish to rate services received or if you are going to another installation and want to know how users evaluate a service.
- ICE is administered by the Plans, Analysis & Integration Office at Fort Riley. If you have questions about this service or wish to develop a comment card for your organization please call 239-2540.

#### **Provost Marshal Office**

#### Frozen Lake Warning

o It may look tempting to walk out onto a frozen lake but the higher than normal temperatures, before and after cold snaps, have created dangerous conditions on at all of Fort Riley's lakes. One can go into a state of hypothermia when submerged into freezing water and hypothermia can kill within minutes. Please do not walk on frozen lake ice.

#### Unattended Children

As tempting as it may be to run a quick errand, leaving children unattended inside a vehicle, "even for a minute," can be dangerous. When left unattended, children may be able to start the vehicle or put the vehicle in neutral. In addition, dangerously cold temperatures inside a vehicle can quickly become fatal to children. According to Kansas Law, it is unlawful for any person to leave a child under the age of ten (10) unattended in a motor vehicle. If this type of violation is found on Fort Riley, the Military Police will cite the supervising adult with child endangerment.

# Carbon Monoxide Safety

- Each year, more than 1,700 children age 5 and under are poisoned by carbon monoxide. Children are especially vulnerable to carbon monoxide poisoning because they have higher metabolic rates than adults. Children use more oxygen faster than adults, therefore they breathe in more deadly doses of carbon monoxide. Effects of carbon monoxide often mimic the flu: headaches, fatigue, dizziness, nausea and diarrhea. Never leave your car's engine running in the garage, particularly if your garage is attached to your home.
- **Space Heater Safety** If you have a space heater, please review the listed safety tips and do your part in helping to reduce fires and deaths caused by space heaters.
  - Read and follow the manufacturer's operating instructions.
  - Choose a space heater that has been tested and certified by a nationally recognized testing laboratory.
  - Buy a heater that is the correct size for the area you want to heat.
  - Choose models that have automatic safety switches that turn off the unit if it is tipped over accidentally.
  - Select a space heater with a guard around the flame area or heating element.
     Place the heater on a level, hard and nonflammable surface, not on rugs or carpets or near bedding or drapes. Keep the heater at least three feet from bedding, drapes, furniture or other flammable materials.
  - Never leave a space heater on when you go to sleep.
  - Turn the space heater off if you leave the area. Keep children and pets away from space heaters. Children should not be permitted to either adjust the controls or move the heater.
  - Do not hang items to dry above or on the heater.
  - Keep portable electric heaters away from sinks, tubs and other wet or damp places to avoid deadly electric shocks.

#### Winter Driving Road Conditions

Fort Riley has provided an easy way to find out about winter road conditions, you
can either tune into channel 2 or call the following number 239 - 2793 for periodic
updates. Please drive safe if hazardous conditions exist.

#### **Directorate of Public Works**

• Snow and Ice Removal - Units, activities and family housing occupants are required to ensure removal of snow/ice within 24 hours of each snowfall from sidewalks, steps, and stairs, to include sidewalks to building mechanical rooms. De-Icer is available to family housing occupants through the Self-Help Store (Bldg. 289) for use on porches sidewalks and driveways. Troop units may obtain this de-icer by submitting a work order request, DA Form 4283, to Public Works, Bldg. 372, using NSN 6810-01-Z78-6133, De-Icer, 100# drum.

- Installation snow emergency parking plan During a declared snow emergency, parking will be on one side of the street only. Vehicles in housing areas will park on the even building numbered side of the street on even calendar dates, and on the odd side of the street on odd days. The only exception is where there is no parking on one side of the street. No parking signs are still in force and will not be violated. Streets with residents parking in violation of this policy will not be cleared. An announcement will be issued on Channel 2 when the plan is implemented. Alternate side parking will continue until the road is cleared from curb to curb. All residents should maximize the use of their driveways to reduce the numbers of vehicles on the street during the snow removal process.
- Winter Driving Tip Please be careful when meeting or following snow plows or sanders. When approaching oncoming sand or plow trucks, drive to the extreme right of your traffic lane, as conditions allow. If you are coming up behind sanding trucks, stay back a minimum of 100 feet, and do not attempt to pass. The mixture spreaders throw can, and have broken windshields and side windows.
- Water Hoses Disconnect hoses from outside faucets during cold weather to help ensure house pipes do not freeze.
- Quarters Fires Your kitchen is one of the most dangerous areas on post and during the Holiday season the risk increases. Since the beginning of this year, we have had six kitchen fires in family quarters, all caused by unattended cooking. Taking the wrong action can make the situation worse, not better. Do not attempt to put out a grease fire with water. Burning grease is easily spread by water and will only cause the fire to spread. In the event you do have a kitchen fire, immediately turn off the stove and cover the pan, if it safe to do so, and evacuate the quarters. Then call 911 from a neighbor's quarters. The most effective means of preventing kitchen fires is to never leave cooking food unattended. Most residents have been found responsible for the fires and have had to pay for the cost of repairing the damage. It is highly recommended that all families living in quarters or renting off post obtain Renter's Insurance. Besides covering the losses you suffer as the result of a fire, they will generally pay the cost of repairing the quarters.
- Christmas Lighting Fire Safety -. Christmas lights can potentially cause more harm than good. Ensure Christmas lights are Underwriters Laboratories approved look for the UL sticker. Never use decorative light strings marked " For Indoor Use" outdoors and don't use more then three standard sets of lights per outlet. Be sure to check the manufacturer's instructions before setting up your lights. Finally before you hang your lights inspect them for cuts, breaks and burned out bulbs. If extension cords must be used do not place them under rugs or furniture. People walking on them and furniture placed on top of the cord can pinch the wires causing a short and a fire. And always, turn off your Christmas lights before going to bed. Please help us to conserve energy by leaving your lights on only from 5:00-10:00pm through Jan. 3 and all holiday lighting must be taken down by Jan. 15.
- Christmas Tree Fire Safety Live Christmas trees are a fire risk. Always buy a fresh tree. It will still smell like pine, and its needles will be hard to pull off its branches. When erecting, saw about two inches off the bottom at an angle to help the tree absorb water and keep plenty of water in the stand. A tree can easily use one gallon of water per day. When placing your tree in your home, keep it at least five feet away from any heat sources (vents/radiators etc); these can rapidly dry your tree out. Avoid decorations that are sharp, easily breakable, very small and edible. Avoid trimmings or decorations that resemble candy or food. Children could mistake them for the real thing.

Additionally keep candles well away from Christmas trees, decorations, curtains and other combustibles and never put candles in windows or near exits. Don't leave candles burning unattended or with in the reach of small children and blow them out before you leave the room or go to sleep.

- Wild Game Any deer or elk carcass hung in the housing area must be covered with some sort of opaque bag or cheesecloth. All wild game and fish parts not processed must be double wrapped in plastic before disposing in trash containers.
- Christmas Boughs: Cedar and pine boughs to decorate the interior and exterior of buildings are available at the Public Works parking lot, on Dickman Avenue, across from Bldg. 364, Main Post, on a first come, first serve basis, from 12 November - 24 December 2003. Use the boughs with extreme care, as they are fire hazards. Frequent misting or sprinkling of boughs with water is recommended to retard their drying out. Cutting pine and cedar trees or branches anywhere on the installation is strictly prohibited

# Christmas Holiday Schedule Refuse Schedule (25 - 26 December)

- Monday: Colyer Manor, Main Post, and Marshall Field. (No change from regular schedule.)
- Tuesday: Ellis Heights, O'Donnell Heights, and Peterson Heights (north of Thomas Avenue). Dumpsters at Bldgs. 470, 471, 540, 541, 620, 510, and 5309. (No change from regular schedule.)
- Wednesday: No pickup Christmas Day.
- Thursday: Warner Heights, Burnside Heights and dumpsters at Bldgs. 27, 28, and 45.
- Friday: Meade Heights, McClellan Heights, South Warner Heights, and Peterson Heights (south of Thomas Avenue). (No change from regular schedule.)

# New Years Day Holiday Refuse Schedule (30 December - 3 January)

- Monday: Colyer Manor, Main Post, and Marshall Field. (No change from regular schedule.)
- Tuesday: Ellis Heights, O'Donnell Heights, and Peterson Heights (north of Thomas Avenue). Dumpsters at Bldgs. 470, 471, 540, 541, 620, 510, and 5309. (No change from regular schedule.)
- Wednesday: No pickup New Years Day.
- Thursday: Warner Heights, Burnside Heights and dumpsters at Bldgs. 27, 28, and
   45. Friday: Meade Heights, McClellan Heights, South Warner Heights, and
   Peterson Heights (south of Thomas Avenue). (No change from regular schedule.)

#### Martin Luther King Holiday Refuse Collection Schedule –

- Monday: Colyer Manor, Main Post, and Marshall Field. (No change from regular schedule.)
- Tuesday: Ellis Heights, O'Donnell Heights, and Peterson Heights (north of Thomas Avenue). Dumpsters at Bldgs. 27, 28, 45, 470, 471, 540, 541, 620, 510, and 5309. (No change from regular schedule.)
- Wednesday: Dumpster at Bldgs. 27,28,and 45. Warner Heights and Burnside Heights.
- o Thursday: Meade Heights, McClellan Heights, South Warner Heights, and Peterson Heights (south of Thomas Avenue).
- Friday: This will cause Thursday's pickup to be collected on Wednesday and Friday's pickup to be collected on Thursday.

Energy Conservation - Authorized thermostat settings during the heating season are 65 to 70 degrees. Additionally please check and, where necessary, take the appropriate action to repair weather stripping, covering window air conditioners, storm windows and doors are intact and operate properly. Please turn off appliances and lights when not needed. Funds saved in the energy account go to improving the quality of life for soldiers and families.

## G3/DPTM

• 3 Dec: CAC

4 Dec: Post-Wide Graduation ceremony; 1:00pm at King Field House
 5 Dec: Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony; 4:45pm at Ware Parade Field

17 Dec: Post Retirement Ceremony; 9:00am Barlow Theater

19-23 Dec: Deer Season20 Dec - 4 Jan: Half-day Schedule

• 25-28 Dec: Training/ Federal Holiday (Christmas)

• 27-30 Dec: Deer Season

1-4 Jan: Training/ Federal Holiday (New Years)

15 Jan: Martin Luther King Observance; 11:45am Morris Hill Chapel

16-19 Jan: Training/ Federal holiday (Martin Luther King)

• 21 Jan: CAC

# **American Red Cross**

- CPR and First Aid Class: Junction City Red Cross December 13<sup>th</sup> and January 17th 8:00am-5:00pm. Cost \$40.00 class will be held at the Junction City ASYMCA. Please call 238-3163 to register the Monday prior to the class.
- The Red Cross Orientations are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month.
   Volunteer Opportunities are available at IACH, the Jag office, Mother's Outreach, Youth Program.
   Volunteers are urgently needed for both Mother's Outreach and Youth Program and Leadership positions on the Advisory Board. For further information or to register for orientation, please contact our office @ 239-1887.
- The Red Cross-Office is located in the Soldier and Family Support Center, Bldg. 7264, Normandy Drive, Custer Hill. Office hours are 7:00am-4:00pm Monday - Friday Telephone - Main Number – 239 1887

Station Manager – 239 1837

FAX - 239 1812

#### **Armed Services YMCA (ASYMCA):**

The ASYMCA will be closed for the holidays from Saturday, December 20, 2003 to January 6, 2004.

We will also be closed on January 19, 2003 in observance of Martin Luther King Day. Take advantage of our childcare programs:

- Shop Till You Drop
  - Enjoy a fun filled day of shopping without the kids, Saturday December 6, 2003,
     9:00am-4:00pm
  - o \$11.00 for the first child
  - o \$12.00 for children under 2
  - \$9.25 for each additional child
  - \$10.25 for each additional child under 2.

#### Mid Week Break

- Wednesdays 10:30am-3:00pm
- You must provide a sack lunch and a snack for your children.
- o \$7.00 1st child
- o \$7.75 for children under 2
- o \$6.25 per additional child
- \$6.50 per additional child under 2

# Mom's Morning Out

- Tuesday Mornings 8:30am-12:00pm
- o \$6 per child
- o \$6.75 per child under 2.

# Parent's Day Out

- o Fridays 11:00am-2:00pm
- o You must provide a sack lunch for your children.
- o \$5.50 1<sup>st</sup> child.
- \$6.25 for children under 2
- \$3.75 per additional child
- \$4.50 per additional child under 2.

# Friday Night Out

- o 5:30-10:00pm
- o 5:30-6:30pm Dinner Hour
- o \$6.00 1<sup>st</sup> Child
- \$6.75 for children under 2
- \$4.25 additional child
- \$4.50 per additional child under 2
- o Additional \$1 charge for dinner hour. You must provide dinner for your children.
- Reservations are required for all childcare programs.
- The ASYMCA also offers Aerobics Classes five times per week. Childcare is available
  for all classes at \$1.00 per child. No Reservations Needed! (We must have up to date
  shot records on all children).
  - o \$2.00 per class for walk-ins or you may purchase a **Punch Card** for savings.
- Classes are:
  - Monday/Wednesday/Friday 9:00 10:00 AM
  - Tuesday/Thursday 6:00 7:00 PM
  - 45 minutes of Step Aerobics/15 minutes of toning.
  - Fridays Body Toning or Circuits.
- The ASYMCA is available for your FRG Meetings. Call to schedule.
- For more information call 238-2972 or stop by the ASYMCA at 111 East 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Junction City.

#### **Thrift Shop**

- Upcoming Specials
  - December 2-18 50%-off Christmas Sale of donated Christmas items
- Welfare Funds
  - Applications are available at the Thrift Store for pick up. Guidelines are noted on the form. Applications for 2004 will be accepted only from December 1, 2003 - 28
     February 2004 with a one-time review of requests in March 2004.

- Hours of Operation Bldg. 267, Stuart Avenue (next to the stables) 9:30am-2:30pm
   Tuesday through Thursday. First Saturday of each month 10:00am-1:00pm (November 1 & December 6) Closed for the Holidays 18 December-Reopens 6 January
- Consignors and Volunteers
  - o Items for consignment are accepted on Tuesdays; donations are accepted everyday. For more information on needed items or to schedule a pickup for large items, please call 784-3874. Volunteers are always appreciated. Benefits include childcare reimbursement, first pick and discounts on donated items and a funworking atmosphere!

# <u>Historical and Archaeological Society of Fort Riley (HASFR)</u>

- The Historical Society Holiday Tour of Homes will be held on Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-8:00pm. The Tour will begin at the Custer house at 4:30pm and cost for this event is on a donation basis. The tour will be a driving tour and there will be 18 homes involved so please plan your time accordingly. Please no children at this event, as you will be walking through the homes. Childcare reservations are available at the Armed Services YMCA. To reserve your childcare slots please call at 784-2019. We will be collecting donations of canned goods that evening for the Helping Hand Charity as well.
- The Historical Society will have its Ways and Means gift items available to purchase that evening at Quarters 1. The Shoppe will also be open for shopping that evening until 9:30pm.
- If you have questions on this event please call 784-2019.

# **Enlisted Spouses Club (ESC)**

- The Enlisted Spouses Club (ESC) is open to all Enlisted spouses: active duty, retirees or widowed service members. ESC builds support among spouses while assisting the Ft Riley and surrounding community through the sponsorship of community and welfare activities. In addition, we will be doing many fun events among the membership.
   For more information you can use the ESC e-mail <a href="mailto:trileyesc@yahoo.com">trileyesc@yahoo.com</a>.
- Our meetings are held on the last Wednesday of the month at Armed Services YMCA located at 111 E. 16th St. in Junction City. On site childcare is provided at membership meetings for a donation. To make childcare reservations please call 494-2094 or 784-3191
- ESC will be wrapping for Operation Santa Claus on Dec 4<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:30pm. Operation Santa Claus is located on the hill on Graves by the ID Card Bldg. Please bring a treat to share.
- ESC will also be wrapping at the PX from 1:00-4:00pm on December 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.
- If you are an ESC member and interested in helping with either event, please call 784-3191. Please no children at either event.
- The January General Membership meeting will be held on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm at the ASYMCA. We will have a Nutrition specialist and Personal Trainer as our guest speakers. Childcare reservations are due by January 26<sup>th</sup> to 784-8306 or 784-3191.
- ESC is available to come and speak at your meetings to inform your participants what we are all about, and how we can support your spouses. If we come and speak at your meeting or event one participant will win a free membership to our organization. To arrange a representative to come and speak at your meeting or event please call 784-3191.

#### The Shoppe

The Shoppe is located in Bldg. 259 (near CIF). The Shoppe business hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00am until 2:00pm. The Shoppe is run <u>entirely</u> by volunteers and all net proceeds from sales at the Shoppe are returned to the local community through the OCSC Community Assistance Fund. Please come by and see us...

#### **Commissary**

- Christmas Day, Thursday, December 25 Open Sunday-Wednesday, December 21-24, 2003; closed on Thursday, December 25, 2003. The Fort Riley Commissary will close at 3:00pm, December 24, 2003.
- New Years Day, Thursday, January 1, 2004: Open Sunday–Wednesday Dec 28-31, closed on Thursday, January 1, 2004.
- Keeping Shelves Stocked Recently, we faced some distributor issues that impacted our ability to keep products on our shelves in some locations. I am happy to report that our in-stock rates in those stores are nearly back to normal as we have worked through and overcome those challenges.
- Patron Savings Commissary shoppers continue to enjoy savings of 30 percent or more
  over commercial grocery stores. In quality-of-life terms, this equates to annual savings
  worth more than \$2,500 for a family of four that regularly shops at a commissary savings especially important to the families of young enlisted members and the
  thousands of Guard and Reserve troops who have been called to active duty.
- Scholarships Since 2001, the Scholarships for Military Children program has awarded nearly \$2.5 million in scholarships to nearly 1,500 children of active duty, retired, and National Guard and Reserve families. Applications for the 2004 program are available online at <a href="www.commissaries.com">www.commissaries.com</a> <a href="http://www.commissaries.com">http://www.commissaries.com</a> or at any commissary. Completed applications must be turned in to the applicant's commissary by close of business on Feb. 18, 2004.
- **Gift of Groceries** Commissary gift certificates are ideally suited for inclusion in your holiday assistance or food basket programs. They can be purchased in a variety of ways online through a link at <a href="www.commissaries.com">www.commissaries.com</a> <a href="www.commissaries.com">www.commissaries.com</a>, or by calling toll-free 1-877-770-GIFT(4438). Last holiday season, many installation charities including first sergeant and chaplains' holiday funds, spouses clubs and many more took advantage of this service. Minimal handling fees normally charged by the third-party vendor to provide the services are waived for local charities whose purchase totals more than \$500. Restrictions on the amount of change given back and on the items purchased can be indicated on the front of the certificate at the purchaser's request.

# Army and Air Force Exchange Services AAFES Holiday Hours of Operation

# Thanksgiving Christmas

		Eve	Christmas	NY's Eve	NY's Day
Main Store	closed	9:00-6:00	closed	10:00-6:00	closed
Food Court	closed	10:30-6:00	closed	10:30-6:00	closed
Class Six	closed	10:00-6:00	closed	10:00-8:00	closed
Main Post Shoppette	closed	8:00-4:00	closed	8:00-6:00	10:00-5:00
Custer Hill Shoppette	9:00-6:00	9:00-4:00	closed	8:00-10:00	8:00-10:00
Forsyth Shoppette	24 HRS	close at 6:00pm	closed	24 HRS	24 HRS
Military Clothing	closed	10:00-3:30	closed	10:00-3:30	closed

Burger King	closed	8:00-6:00	closed	8:00-8:00	closed
Popeye's	closed	11:00-4:00	closed	11:00-7:00	11:00-7:00
Main Exchange Mall	closed	10:00-4:00	closed	10:00-4:00	closed
Concessions					

**Directorate of Environment and Safety (DES)** 

**Veterinary Services** 

Historical and Archaeological Society of Fort Riley (HASFR)

Officers' and Civilians' Spouses' Club (OCSC)

**Boy Scouts** 

Girl Scouts

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS) (785) 239-8147

**National Military Family Association** 

**Junction City Chamber of Commerce** 

**Manhattan Chamber of Commerce** 

**USD 475** 

**USD 383** 

The next Community Action Council will be held at 9:30am Wednesday, January 21, 2003
SOLDIER and FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER
BLDG. 7264, Custer Hill
"America's Warfighting Center"

Announcements for the next "Riley Bugle Call" are due by noon January 13, 2004 to Building 7264, 785-239-9435. Email tosite2665@riley.army.mil

The CAC is shown four times daily on Channel 2, for four days following the CAC. The times are 8:30a.m. 12:30p.m. 6:30p.m. and 10:30p.m.